

TABLE I

**Crude Steel Production and Capacity in the USA  
and Crude Steel Production in the USSR**

Selected Years -- 1920-1958

Year	In thousands of metric tons.		
	United States Capacity (January 1)	United States Production	USSR Production a/
1920	56,500	42,800	200
1925	62,000	46,100	1,900
1930	66,100	41,400	5,800
1935	71,000	34,600	12,600
1940	74,000	60,600	18,300
1942	80,600	78,000	7,000
1945	86,500	72,300	12,300
1950	90,500	87,800	27,300
1951	94,600	95,500	31,400
1952	98,500	84,500	34,500
1953	106,600	101,100	38,100
1954	112,900	80,000	41,400
1955	114,000	106,200	45,300
1956	116,500	104,500	48,600
1957	121,000	102,800	51,100
1958	127,500	99,700 b/	53,600 c/

a/ For many years the Soviet steel industry has operated at or very near capacity; thus production figures for the USSR are indicative of capacity.

b/ Estimate by The Iron Age.

c/ Plan.

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